

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please enter Amendments (A) through (F) provided below:

(A) Please insert the following headings and paragraph at Page 1, line 3 of the English translation of the Application-as-filed, immediately preceeding the first full paragraph:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is being filed under Rule 1.371 as a National Stage Application of pending International Application No. PCT/EP2004/009395, which claims priority to the following parent application: German Patent Application No. 103 39 801.3 filed August 27, 2003. Both International Application No. PCT/EP2004/009395 and German Patent Application No. 103 39 801.3 are hereby incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

(B) Please insert the following heading at Page 1, line 6 of the English translation of the Application-as-filed, immediately preceeding the second full paragraph:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

(C) Please insert the following heading at Page 5 , line 9 of the the English translation of the Application-as-filed, immediately preceeding the second full paragraph:

SUMMARY OF ADVANTAGEOUS EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION

(D) Please insert the following heading at Page 5, line 16 of the English translation of the Application-as-filed, immediately preceding the third full paragraph:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF ADVANTAGEOUS EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION

(E) Please substitute the following text at Page 15 lines 1 through 30 of the English translation of the Application-as-filed with the following replacement text:

Charge materials

- PA1: Nylon 6 having a relative viscosity of 4 (measured in 96% strength sulfuric acid),
[[®]]~~Ultramid~~ ULTRAMID® B4 from BASF AG
- PA2: Nylon 6/66 (weight ratio 85 : 15 parts by weight) having a relative viscosity of 4
(measured in 96% strength sulfuric acid), ~~®Ultramid~~ ULTRAMID® C4 from
BASF AG
- PEA: Copolymer based on -caprolactam, hexamethylenediamine, adipic acid and
polyethylene glycol (having on average about 10 ethylene glycol units); melting
point 210°C (determined by differential scanning calorimetry, DSC), [[®]]~~Grilon~~
GRILON® FE 7012 from Ems-Chemie AG,
- PVAL: Polyvinyl alcohol having a mean molecular weight M_w of 26 000 and a degree of
saponification of 88% ([[®]]~~Mowiol~~ MOWIOL® 26-88 from Clariant
Deutschland GmbH)
- Glycerol 96% pure, purity as specified by DAB (Deutsches Arzneimittelbuch [German
pharmacopoeia])
- MB Filler masterbatch comprising 50% nylon 6 and 50% finely divided calcium
carbonate (HT-MAB-PA 9098 from Treffert)
- CMC-Na Sodium salt of a carboxymethylcellulose of medium degree of etherification and a
solution viscosity of 10 Pa s, measured by 2% strength solution at 20°C by
Höppler viscometer ([[®]]~~Tylose~~ TYLOPUR® C 10000 P2 from Clariant
Deutschland GmbH)

M-HEC Methylhydroxyethylcellulose of medium degree of etherification and a solution viscosity of 4 Pa s, measured on a 2% strength aqueous solution at 20°C using a Höppler viscometer ([([®])]Tylose TYLOSE® H 4000 P2 from Clariant Deutschland GmbH)

Glycerol monooleate ([([®])]Arlacel ARLACEL® 186 from Uniquema; to ICI plc)

Lecithin

Paraffin oil medical white oil ([([®])]Enerpar ENERPAR® M 1930 from British Petroleum (BP) plc